DATE: August 21, 1987

TO: Charles G. Abdelnour, City Clerk

FROM: City Attorney

SUBJECT: City Ballot Proposition Designation

You recently asked whether the Registrar of Voters designation of city measures appearing on the November 3, 1987 ballot was appropriate in as much as the designation "A" was given to a county-wide measure.

We have reviewed the assignments and concur with the Registrar. The San Diego County Regional Transportation Commission's measure was designated the letter "A" which is clearly a "county measure" within the definition of Elections Code section 3780. In assessing the order of the ballot, the Registrar is bound to follow Elections Code section 10213, subsection (n) of which provides:

(n) Under the heading, MEASURES SUBMITTED TO VOTE OF VOTERS and the appropriate heading from subdivisions (a) through (m), above, ballot measures in the order, state through district shown above, and within each jurisdiction, in the order prescribed by the official certifying them for the ballot.

Hence the Registrar's letter designation of a county-wide measure before a city measure clearly conforms to the requirements of the Elections Code.

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